

REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated June 27, 2008. Claims 1, 3, 6, 14, 17, 18, 24 and 25 have been amended. No new matter has been added. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account 02-1818 for any fees which are due and owing.

The Office Action indicated that claims 4, 5, 10, 12, 13 and 26-44 are allowed.

The Office Action objected to claims 3, 6-9, 17-21, 23 and 24 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but stated that they would be allowable if rewritten to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. To advance the prosecution of this application, Applicant has elected to amend the objected claims as suggested.

Claim 3 depended directly from claim 1. Applicant amended claim 1 to include the elements of claim 3.

Claim 6 depended directly from claim 1. Applicant changed claim 6 to an independent claim which includes the elements of claim 1.

Claim 7 depends from currently amended claim 6.

Claim 8 depends from currently amended claim 6.

Claim 9 depends from currently amended claim 6.

Claim 17 depended directly from claim 14. Applicant amended claim 14 to include the elements of claim 14.

Claim 18 depended directly from claim 14. Applicant changed claim 18 to an independent claim which includes the elements of claim 14.

Claim 21 depended directly from claim 14. Applicant changed claim 21 to an independent claim which includes the elements of claim 14.

Claim 23 depended directly from claim 22 which, in turn, depended directly from claim 14. Applicant changed claim 23 to an independent claim which includes the elements of claims 14 and 22.

Claim 24 depended from claim 17, and Applicant changed claim 24 to depend from claim 14.

An earnest endeavor has been made to place this application in condition for formal allowance and such action is courteously solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Response, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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